

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS  
EL PASO DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Plaintiff,

v.

MELISSA GAYLE GIFFIN,

Defendant.

) CRIMINAL NO. *EP15mj1279ATB*

) INFORMATION

) 18 U.S.C. § 641 – Theft of Government  
) Property

AFFIDAVIT IN SUPPORT OF CRIMINAL INFORMATION

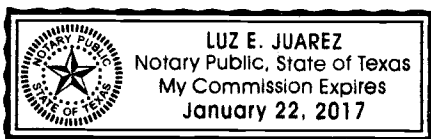
1. I am presently assigned as the Military Police Operations Sergeant in the Provost Marshal's Office at Fort Bliss, Texas. I have reviewed Military Police Report 07048-2014-MPC014, and the sworn statements made part thereof, and have derived the following facts there from:
2. On December 15, 2014, Army Air Force and Exchange Service employee T.O. was working at the Main Post Exchange located on Fort Bliss in the Western District of Texas. While working as a loss prevention employee, T.O. observed via video camera as the Defendant, **MELISSA GAYLE GIFFIN**, selected cosmetic wrinkle cream and slid it into her pants. The Defendant then exited the Post Exchange without paying for the concealed cosmetic wrinkle cream.
3. After the Defendant exited the Post Exchange, she was approached by a loss prevention employee and escorted to the loss prevention office. Inside the loss prevention office, the Defendant surrendered concealed cosmetic wrinkle cream, perfume, and tweezers that she had taken from the Post Exchange without purchasing. The total retail value of the items concealed on the Defendant was \$105.20, which was the amount stolen. The Post Exchange is owned and

operated by the Army and Air Force Exchange Service, which is an agency of the United States.

The merchandise is the property of the United States Government.

4. The Defendant was detained and transported to the Provost Marshal Office by Military Police Officer Specialist D.P. Specialist D.P. advised the Defendant of her rights, which she waived making a written statement admitting to the offense. The Defendant was then photographed, fingerprinted, and released on her own recognizance.

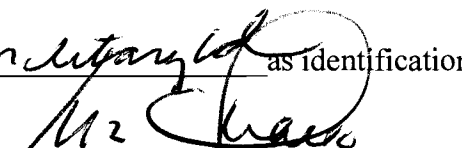
I DECLARE UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY UNDER THE LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA THAT THE FOREGOING IS TRUE AND CORRECT. EXECUTED THIS 15 DAY OF APRIL, 2015.



  
CHRISTIAN MARSH  
Sergeant First Class, MP Operations

Sworn to (affirmed) and subscribed before me this 15 day of April 2015, by CHRISTIAN MARSH.

\_\_\_\_\_ Personally known or ☒ Produced military id as identification.

  
Signature of Notary Public

Probable cause found:

No probable cause found:

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

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UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

**Fort Bliss Misdemeanors**

**Date: April 14, 2015**

**Judge Berton**

<u>NAME</u>	<u>OFFENSE</u>	<u>MAXIMUM PUNISHMENT</u>
Melissa Gayle Giffin	<u>COUNT ONE</u> THEFT OF GOV. PROPERTY 18 USC 641 Class A Misdemeanor	Imprisonment One Year, \$100,000 Fine, One year Supervised Release, \$25 SA